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SUBJECT: INSTRUCTIONS TO CONTACT CAMBODIAN DELEGATION

1. AMBASSADOR BENNETT SHOULD SEEK EARLY APPOINTMENT WITH
SENIOR KHMER DELEGATE, WHO WE BELIEVE IS KEAT CHHON NOW
THAT IENG SARY HAS LEFT, TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

BEGIN TEXT:

-- "I WISH TO RECALL THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HERE LAST YEAR
BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS IN WHICH
ISSUES OF MUTUAL CONCERN WERE DISCUSSED. IT IS MY PURPOSE
TODAY TO RENEW THESE CONTACTS AND DISCUSSIONS.

-- "WE NOTE PARTICULARLY RECENT ACTIONS TAKEN BY YOUR
GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND FURTHER ITS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND
CONTACTS WITH VARIOUS COUNTRIES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR
STATED POLICY OF TRUE INDEPENDENCE AND NON-ALIGNMENT.

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--"SECRETARY KISSINGER HAS PERSONALLY INSTRUCTED ME TO REITERATE THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HARBORS NO HOSTILITY TOWARD KAMPUCHEA AND REMAINS PREPARED TO WORK TOWARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

--"THE SINGAPOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER HAS CONVEYED IENG SARY'S CONCERN ABOUT ALLEGED U.S. ACTIVITIES AGAINST CAMBODIA. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE UNITED STATES IS NOT INTERFERING IN YOUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND HAS NO INTENTION TO DO SO.

--"I RECALL SPECIFICALLY OUR SUGGESTION THAT YOU CONSIDER NAMING A SUITABLE PROTECTING POWER TO ASSUME CHARGE OF CAMBODIAN PROPERTY IN WASHINGTON. WE REMAIN READY TO TURN OVER SUCH PROPERTY TO REPRESENTATIVES OF SUCH A PROTECTING POWER AND WOULD BE INTERESTED IN WHATEVER PROPOSALS YOU MAY HAVE IN THIS REGARD.

--"WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN YOUR GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS ON THE PROSPECT FOR MORE NORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND STEPS WHICH MIGHT BE TAKEN TOWARD THAT END." END TEXT.

2. IF KEAT CHHON REPEATS ALLEGATIONS OF CIA ACTIVITIES AGAINST CAMBODIA, YOU SHOULD REITERATE ABOVE POINTS THAT WE BEAR NO HOSTILITY AND ARE NOT INTERFERING IN THEIR INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND HAVE NO INTENTIONS TO DO SO. EAGLEBURGER

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